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For: "MODULE WITH NON-DEFORMABLE)	
SUPPORT FOR FILTER SEPTA AND)	
MEMBRANE TYPE FILTER ELEMENTS")	Date: July 13, 2006

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Sir:

Prior PCT International Application No. PCT/JP2004/014561, designating the U.S., claims priority as follows:

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The certified copy has been filed in prior PCT International Patent Application No. PCT/IB2004/052883.

Applicants hereby confirm that this claim for priority applies to the above-identified U.S. International stage application.

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